(c) Lok Adalats are not regularly constituted law courts. They are voluntary agencies and are organised from time to time in different parts of the country. Normally, the cases taken up at the Lok Adalats are disposed of on the same date. Such of the cases which are not settled at the Lok Adalats revert back to the respective courts for disposal. Therefore, nothing remains pending in the Lok Adalats.

List of Joint Secretaries

1099. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the latest list of Joint Secretaries in the Government of India has been prepared;

(b) if the answer to part (a) above be in negative the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to encourage empanelment of officers of All India Services who have put in good work as District Magistrates?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The record of an IAS officer is considered in its entirety for empanelment at Joint Secretary level in the Government of India. To the extent the good work done by an officer as District Magistrate is reflected in his confidential records, it does go in his favour at the time of empanelment.

Number of Deputy Secretaries in Central Government Service for Refresher Course

1100. SHRI YASHWANT SINHA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of officers of the Government of India in the rank of Deputy Secretary and above who have been sent for in-service/refresher training programme during the last two years;

(b) the number of persons who were sent for training abroad during the same period;

(c) whether any evaluation has been made of the results achieved; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) The number of officers of the Indian Administrative Service (for which this Ministry is the Cadre Controlling Authority) working in the Government of India at the level of Deputy Secretary and above (i.e belonging to the year of allotment 1979 and earlier) who attended in service/refresher courses during the last two years was as under:

	1986-87	1987-88
One week Refresher courses 4 week training programmes (inservice)	455	481
	182	125
TOTAL	537	606

This Ministry does not maintain statistics of training relating to other services.

(b) The number of IAS officers serving in the Govt. of India of the rank of Deputy Secretary and above nominated for foreign training was as under:

1986-87 : 59; 1987-88 : 47.

(c) and (d) In regard to the one week refresher course, two training experts had independently evaluated them and recommended their continuance subject to certain modifications.